Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A <u>protocol performance test</u> method for testing a computer system to be operated in a multi-computer environment, comprising:

measuring performance of a multi-computer communication protocol on a single computer system, wherein said single computer system emulates a server and a client, and wherein measuring said performance of said multi-computer communication protocol on said single computer system includes,

executing server code at a on said single computer system under test; executing client code at on said single computer system under test; and calculating measuring performance data for said single computer system

under test.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said server code and said client code include a number of threads, the method further comprising:

tracking an execution time for each of said threads by a processor in said <u>single</u> computer system under test; and

tracking a number of transactions completed between the execution of <u>said</u> server code and the execution of <u>said</u> client code wherein said performance data is based on said number of transactions completed over a period of time.

3. (Currently Amended) A protocol performance test method for testing a computer system to be operated in a multi-computer environment, comprising:

operating a computer system under test as a server and a client;

executing server code at a <u>on said</u> computer system under test according to a <u>multicomputer multi-computer</u> communication protocol;

executing client code on said computer system under test according to said multicomputer multi-computer communication protocol; and

ealculating determining performance data for said computer system under test operating as one of a server and a client.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 3 wherein said server code and <u>said</u> client code includes a number of threads, the method further comprising:

tracking an execution time for each of said threads by a processor in said computer system under test.

5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 4 wherein said multicomputer multi-computer communication protocol defines transactions between said server and said client, the method further comprising:

tracking a number of transactions completed between the execution of <u>said</u> server code and the execution of said client code.

6. (Original) The method of claim 5 wherein said performance data is based on said number of transactions completed over a period of time.

- 7. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 6 wherein said performance data is based on said number of transactions completed over said period of time modified by a scaling factor.
- 8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 7 wherein said scaling factor is comprises a total execution time for both client and server threads divided by one of an execution time for said server threads and an execution time for said client threads.
- 9. (Currently Amended) A set of instructions residing in a storage medium, said set of instructions capable of being executed by a processor to implement a <u>protocol</u> <u>performance test</u> method <u>for testing a computer sytem to be operated in a multi-computer environment</u>, the method comprising:

measuring performance of a multi-computer communication protocol on a single computer system, wherein said single computer system emulates a server and a client, and wherein measuring said performance of said multi-computer communication protocol on said single computer system includes,

executing server code at a <u>on said single</u> computer system under test; executing client code at <u>on said single</u> computer system under test; and calculating <u>measuring</u> performance data for said <u>single</u> computer system

under test.

10. (Currently Amended) The set of instructions of claim 9, wherein said server code and said client code include a number of threads, the method further comprising:

tracking an execution time for each of said threads by a processor in said <u>single</u> computer system under test; and

tracking a number of transactions completed between the execution of <u>said</u> server code and the execution of <u>said</u> client code wherein said performance data is based on said number of transactions completed over a period of time.

11. (Currently Amended) A set of instructions residing in a storage medium, said set of instructions capable of being executed by a processor to implement a <u>protocol</u> <u>performance test</u> method for testing a computer system to be operated in a multi-computer environment, the method comprising:

operating a computer system under test as a server and a client;

executing server code at a <u>on said</u> computer system under test according to a <u>multicomputer multi-computer communication protocol</u>;

executing client code on said computer system under test according to said multicomputer multi-computer communication protocol; and

ealculating determining performance data for said computer system under test operating as one of a server and a client.

12. (Currently Amended) The set of instructions of claim 11 wherein said server code and <u>said</u> client code includes a number of threads, the method further comprising: tracking an execution time for each of said threads by a processor in said computer system under test.

13. (Currently Amended) The set of instructions of claim 12 wherein said multicomputer multi-computer communication protocol defines transactions between said server and said client, the method further comprising:

tracking a number of transactions completed between the execution of <u>said</u> server code and the execution of <u>said</u> client code.

- 14. (Original) The set of instructions of claim 13 wherein said performance data is based on said number of transactions completed over a period of time.
- 15. (Currently Amended) The set of instructions of claim 14 wherein said performance data is based on said number of transactions completed over said period of time modified by a scaling factor.
- 16. (Currently Amended) The set of instructions of claim 15 wherein said scaling factor is <u>comprises</u> a total execution time for both client and server threads divided by one of an execution time for said server threads and an execution time for said client threads.
- 17. (Currently Amended) A computer system under test to be operated in a multi-computer environment, comprising:
- a processor to execute server code and client code at on said computer system under test according to a multicomputer multi-computer communication protocol, said computer system under test to ealeulate determine performance data for said multicomputer communication protocol, said computer system under test operating as one of a server and a client.
- 18. (Currently Amended) The computer system of claim 17 wherein said server code and <u>said</u> client code includes a number of threads, <u>and the said</u> computer system under test is to track an execution time for each of said threads by said processor.
- 19. (Currently Amended) The computer system of claim 18 wherein said multicomputer multi-computer communication protocol defines transactions between said server and said client, and the said computer system under test is to track a number of transactions completed between the execution of said server code and the execution of said client code.
- 20. (Original) The computer system of claim 19 wherein said performance data is based on said number of transactions completed over a period of time.
- 21. (Currently Amended) The computer system of claim 20 wherein said performance data is based on said number of transactions completed over said period of time modified by a scaling factor.
- 22. (Currently Amended) The computer system of claim 21 wherein said scaling factor is comprises a total execution time for both client and server threads divided by

one of an execution time for said server threads and an execution time for said client threads.

- 23. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein said server code comprises a number of server threads, said client code comprises a number of client threads, and wherein said method further comprises executing scheduler code, said scheduler code comprising a number of scheduler threads, said scheduler threads for coordinating communication of data between said client threads and said server threads.
- 24. (New) The method of claim 23, wherein executing said scheduler code includes interfacing with a queue to store data packets to be transferred to a client thread or a server thread.
- 25. (New) The set of instructions of claim 9, wherein said server code comprises a number of server threads, said client code comprises a number of client threads, and wherein said method further comprises executing scheduler code, said scheduler code comprising a number of scheduler threads, said scheduler threads for coordinating communication of data between said client threads and said server threads.
- 26. (New) The set of instructions of claim 25, wherein executing said scheduler code includes interfacing with a queue to store data packets to be transferred to a client thread or a server thread.